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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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METHOD AND APPARATUS TO PRE-SCAN FILM AND PRE-TREAT FILM FOR IMPROVED DIGITAL **FILM** PROCESSING HANDLING

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 15, 2003, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-33.

The present application is believed to be in condition for examination, and an early and favorable action on the merits is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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